BISHOP'S COLLEGE SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION



CALENDAR OF SCHOOL EVENTS - LENT TERM 1963

J a n	. 12	College Entrance Examination Board Tests	
	1 5	Hockey - Sherbrooke Optimists at B.C.S.	8.15 p.m.
	1 9	Hockey - B.C.S. at Stanstead College	4,00 p.m.
	2 2	Hockey - Ecole Technique, Sherbrooke, at B.C.S.	8,15 p.m.
	2 9	Hockey - Stanstead College at B.C.S.	8.15 p.m.
Feb	. 1	Hockey - Deerfield Academy (Jr.) at B.C.S.	7.45 p.m.
	2	Hockey - Deerfield Academy (Sr.) at B.C. S.	10.00 a.m.
	9	Hockey - Old Boys at B. C. S.	8.00 p.m.
	1 2	Hockey - St. Pat's, Sherbrooke. at B.C.S.	8.15 p.m.
	1 6	Hockey - B.C.S. at Ashbury in Ottawa	2.00 p.m.
	16/17	Skiing - B.C.S. vs Ashbury at Camp Fortune, Gatineau Hills	
	19	Hockey - Baronet at B.C.S.	8.15 p.m.
	22	Dramatics - Players ² Club will present "Way to Kill" at B.C. S.	7.30 p.m.
	2 3	Hockey - L.C.C. at B.C.S.	2.00 p.m.
Mar	r. 2	College Entrance Examination Board Tests	
	2	Skiing - Sutherland Trophy Meet (Juniors) at Chalet Cochand, Ste. Marguerite, Que.	
	5	Sherbrooke Rotary Club Public Speaking Contest at New Sherbrooke Hotel	6,15 p,m

NOTICE

THOSE WISHING TO PLAY IN THE OLD BOYS' HOCKEY GAME ON FEBRUARY 9TH ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT PETER HYNDMAN AT 932-9329 (EVENINGS)



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EXPLANATION

Who'd be so brash as to step into Herbie Hall's shoes as a chronicler) The writer, after watching him comb the newssources for a quarter century, would be the last to try.

Herewith, then, at the request of the Old Boys' Association, we present a few reminders of those extra-curricular institutions which Old Boys keep in memory, and of their functioning in 1562-63.

FOOTBALL - 1962

In rhese days of platoon football, a team photo resembles a small convention. Far example, there were 36 players who qualified for the First Team picture in 1961, when B.C.S. took it all from our regular opponents. As the season began this year, 22 of those had either matriculated or moved away for other reasons. Amongst rhe departed were the team caprain, the Cleghorn Cup winner, plus many more solid backs and linemen. The seriousness of rhese losses was heightened by the fact rhar lasr year's second team was unable to get a game anywhere in the Townships, and boys who came up to First Crease in September were largely inexperienced in games. Our plight was not shared by rhe opposition; Stanstead fielded its best team in years, with many new players who were prominent in the first win by Stanstead over Ashbury since the two schools began fall competition some years ago. L.C.C. and Ashbury seemed to have no player problems, and our victories were, save for the Old Boys' game, moral ones. There were some good games, much good sportsmanship, a score on the very lasr play of the season, and valiant efforts by the hard-core veterans to sustain one's faith. There was also some indifferent tackling, some too-easily discouraged players..

L.C.C. rook us, 32-0; Ashbury won, 45-8; stanstead was on the high end of both games. 18-12 and 19-2. Monklands outpointed us, 12-7, in the season's first outing, while Verdun's 20-1 win ended a rather rhin share of the fall's scoring. On Thanksgiving Monday, the school scored a 16-0 victory over the Old Boys' ream in a very good game.

Second Crease Team had a fine season, played more games than in 1961, which rhey rook without a loss. Many will be wearing the First Team monogram in 1963. and if their performance of rhis year is any criterion of their willingness and ability. B.C.S. will be a power again in inter-scholastic football.

Looking farther ahead. brig-range prospects on Third Crease were promising. A spirited intra-mural league developed

an abundance of good tacklers, ball carriers and blockers as the third formers dug down into the fundamentals.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACES 1962

The statistics:

Cross-Country Races, October 31.

Senior Race. Chris Pocock, VII Form, Prefect. New Record, 27 21". Junior Race. H. Kent, IV Form. Time, 22' 59".

Senior Team Shield. Grier House: MacDougall, Taylor. Rankin, Fricker, Hall, Ross. Junior Team Shield. School House: Kent. Blackader, Anido II, Dyer II. Junior Dorm Cup. "A" Dorm.: Dyer II, Davis II, Sutton II, Hugessen, Eddy. Finishers: Senior, 108 a record number.

Junior. 58.

The Event:

Once again. the Wednesday following football's ending brought the Cross-country Races. Almost as sure as the day itself came rain, wind and mud, with a prediction that no records would fall. Injuries caused the scratching of rhreehigh-runners of the 1961 races, but 166able-bodied harriers, carrying half their weight in soupy clay, put on another show thatbrought back a flood of memories. lowered the Senior record. and put Grier House on the Senior Shield for the first time, as the six Grier runners, three of them sons of Old Boys, nosed out Williams House by one point in 545.8.

Pocock's win was his second consecutive victory. sweeter because his new time goes up on two challenge cups. the Boswell Trophy and the Ottawa Cup. The latter is reserved for record setters only. now. It was presented in 1900, and had been out of circulation since the early 1930's.

Kent's good, if not record rime in the Junior gave him a place on the venerable Heneker Cup, and he led the winning Junior House ream to regain the Junior Shield.

Messrs Bédard and Clifton, calling times and finishers into a rape recorder, solved the confusionhazard at the finish line as score sheets ran blue and ragged in the pouring rain.

WE STILL CLIMB ORFORD

Many years ago, a well-known Headmaster of B.C.S., queried about the smoking regulations, replied to a prospective parent. "Yes, boys may smoke on the top of Mount Orford!"

Later that year, permission was given, up among the clouds, and another bit of B.C.S. eccentricia came into being. Most new boys make the annual fall ascent, currently an informal exercise in tactics under the supervision of Lr. Col. Denison, who kindly recorded his impressions of the 1963 climb.

THE ORFORD EXPEDITION (1963)

Because it rained Thanksgiving weekend and continued to rain for several successive days, the annual excursion to Mount Orford was not made this year on the day after Thanksgiving as has been the custom for the past several years.

The boys returned to classes with a good grace bur kept a weather eye peeled and occasionally prep wasn't too well done with the hope rhat there would be no classes rhe following day. Finally, on the weekend, the weatherchanged for the better and on Monday morning the Headmaster announced at morning rollcall that the trip was "on". The bus company had been briefed the night before so rhat all that was necessary to summon conveyance was a confirming phone call to the bus terminal. We discovered that even the chef had half the sandwiches made when we went to notify him officially that we would go that day.

Fifty-five boys (mostly new boys) and four masters left the schoolabout ten-thirty A.M. and arrived at the base of the mountain about eleven-thirty (approx. 25 miles). We disembarked rhere where the boys were given instructions abour the expedition. They were divided inro pairs so rhat, in case of an accident, a boy's buddy could summon aid. No boy was to complete the climb or return to the rendez-vous without hisbuddy. Lunches, apples and/or orangesand milk were given out at this time and some of the boys supplemented their rations wirh chocolate bars or hor dogs from the conveniently located Mountain Cafd. Boys were then told that the next roll call would be taken at the top of the mountain and that the record time to rhe top was forty-four minutes. I am happy to report that no one failed to report for the call at the top although it was considerably longer than forty-four minutes before some reporred. Needless to say, I was among the latter group.

On arrival at the summit, thirst was the greatest urge. It happened that I had an old (Japaneseoddly enough) army water bottle along and dished out sips to the eager recipients. It was comparatively cool at the top so boys did not loiter around too long. All could not help admiring though the magnificent view. Numerous coloured Leaves still clung to the trees lending a fairyland appearance to the landscape. It was rather fun arguing the identification of different mountains, lakes or towns from rhis point of vantage.

The downward journey is really more difficult than the upward. One's momentum is mbre difficult to control and unless one is constantly on guard he is liable for a bad tumble. There was only one report of a rumble rhat fortunately resulted in only a minor muscle injury. All the adventurers were gloriously tired on reporting to the rendez-vous and devoured the remnants of the left-over sandwiches and fruit. The Cafd also did a flourishing business as long as the boys' spare cash held our. Most boys had the feeling thar the rrip, though rugged in spots, had really been worthwhile and doubtless required few reminders to put lights out at the required rime thar night.

E. E. D.

ARMISTICE SERVICES - 1962

Since we have had our own School chapel, many changes have taken place in our corporate life as a direct result of the mare from across the St. Francis. Seldom does the Memorial Chapel amalgamate the present and the past of B.C.S. as perfectly as it does in the Armistice Day service.

Prom it, every member of B.C.S. takes a piece of School tradition to work into his own pattern of experience, and it is doubtful if richer colours are found elsewhere. With glorious and precise simplicity the service brings to the ear, the eye and the hearr the School's traditions of loyalty and devotion for a half-hour of sober contemplation.

The boys rise ro the occasion, as B.C.S. boys do. Colour-bearers in School blues frame the memorial tablets of the anre-chapel wirh battle-honours and Union Jack, then slow-march them towards the chancel wirh impressive solemnity. Drummers and buglers, half-hidden by the choir stalls, might well be bandsmen from the Guards, as the roll of percussion, the low-to-high ranging trumpet notes recreate the auditory climax which has stimulated tears and fullness of hearr for nearly half a century. Then follow the lessons. the prayers and the roll-call of boys who did not return from three wars. the marching-off of rhe colours..... What an inspirational adventure into the spirit of B.C.S. this must be for a New Boy.

Mindful of rhis, we asked the Chaplain, a New Boy, to mite his impressions of Armistice Day at B.C.S. He has mentioned nothing of his part in the chapel service; readers will sense, however, that it was in the finest tradition.

REMEMBRANCE DAY 1962

There was a fall of wet, heavy snow all morning, so after the Chapel service I drove some of the cadets over to the Cenotaph parade in Lennoxville. The boys got out of the car to form up, and as they walked away through the slush. I decided to wait in the car until rhey came back. I could see and hear a bit of the service from where I was, but I found that it didn't really hold my attention; I fell into a kind of private reflection — a Remembrance Day observance of my own. I suppose all of us who remember the wars as part of our own history, do the same thing from time to rime: we find that faces, voices, emotions, images of those days return. and with a great and urgent clarity. so that we do more than remember; almost, we re-live.

In no time at all, it seemed, the boys were back, pretty well covered with snow, and after they shook the wer off their tunics and pill-boxes we started back to School. The streets were a bit slippery, so I took my time, and was able to listen ro what the boys had to say. As far as the morning's activities were concerned, rhey had been as much impressed by the Chapel service as by anything else. The curious thing I suddenly realized was that although the war couldn't even be a memory for them, still, somehow, the Chapel service had convinced them of a real connection between themselves and the members of the School for whom the service was a memorial.

By the time I let them out at the Gym, the boys had given me a fairly clear explanation of my own mood, because in the end I realized rhat the same things had affected us all; duringthe Chapel service, the hymns and lesson, the reading of the names of those who gave their lives, the laying of the Colours on the altar, the thanksgiving for the lives and examples of all those we remembered, the Last Post, the Silence and Reveille, somehow combined to show us a reality we often overlook; the continuing bond that holds together those who loved and served and gave, and those others, ourselves, who are always in their debt.

The boys in my car probably thought I was preoccupied with the bad driving, or just morose, but really I was quietly raking an instruction on the meaning of Remembrance Day.

F.H.K.G.

OLD BOYS' HOCKEY

An overstaffed team (18 players) gave the school First Team a very active workout in the Annual Old Boys' Game, February 9th, before they dropped behind in the last period, losing to the School 8-3. All considered, it was one of the most pleasant Old Boys' games in memory: the present players were happy and proud to edge their illustrious elders, and the visitors were in excellent form, without alibis, but generous in their opinions. The high-scoring Bob Anderson-Steve Molson-Bob Jamieson line struck for two picture goals, and Pete Hyndman gor one away from rhe tee, all in the first period, at rhe end of which the Old Boys led, 3-2. Schoolscored twice in the second without reply, and added four in the final period.

Hugh Millar, part of the rime without benefit of glasses, had 47 hard shots to handle in the Old Boys' nets.
Other Old Boys playing were: P. McLagan, P. Ashworth, Dunc McNeill, Tony Ashworth. Eric Molson. M. Landsberg,
J. Trott, P. Mitchell. R. MacDonald, B. Sharp. R. Tinker, D. Baillie.

FIRST TEAM HOCKEY - 1963

You had to like this edition of First Team. Ally Old Boy who was fortunate ro see the final game of the A.O.B.A. series in rhe Memorial Rink will bear out the claim rhat it was about the bumpingest, fastest moving, close-run contest in the lifetime of the venerable trophy from Ottawa. The School won it, going away, by absorbing all thar L.C.C. threw, by consistent and clean body-blows of their own, and by riding in on superior condition for a four-goal margin of victory. The score, 5-1, was a one-nothing squeaker until more rhan 13 minutes had gone in the rhird period. After rhar came the deluge, and a noisy rinkful of supporters shook loose every speck of dust from the rafters.

That was the climax of a great season. Perhaps it was well thar St. Jean Baptiste, of Sherbrooke, took rhe ream's measure before Christmas; that Deerfieid a very good ream won its first victory in six rries on B.C.S. ice. The ream never, apparently, became inflated, and a common query from its members was. "Do you think this is a good ream?"

It was good enough to score more goals (9) rhan any B.C.S. ream has counted in Ottawa for more than thirty years: it had its rime holding Sranstead at the Border, bur made no mistake in the return game before a full turnout of both schools. It was good enough to outscore its opposition by 91 to 41, and to spend just about a rhird of the penalty rime its opponenrs wanted on the bench. The season's total was 15 wins, 2 ties and 2 losses.

Mosr encouraging was the way rhat rhe recruits fitted into place. Three forwards, one defenceman and a goalie were rhe holdovers from last year's title ream. By rhe height of the season, forwards and defencemen from 1962 minor teams had given the ream stable balance and adequate reserves. The entire ream, new and old members, maintained the spirir rhat we prize so highly. We like to think they'd have won in any schoolboy competition; rhey drew upon thar reserve in rheir last game in a manner to show the true stamp of champions, which, by all qualifications, rhey were.

CHOIR NOTES, 1962-163

It was wirh hesitation and uncertainty rhar the returning members of the choir began work for the first school service of the year in September. Many of the voices which contributed to the considerable excellence and success of last year's choir were naturally no longer ar the school; and, of course, nature took its usual roll of some good treble voices. There seemed to be a distinct diffidence in the attitude of the Upper School Choir towards this year's prospects, an attitude somewhat justifiable in view of the departure of the former choirmaster, the Rev. H. T. G. Forster.

Leadership is a quality which every boy has ample opportunity ro display and practise in a boarding school environment. It should be pointed out that extraordinary leadership and enthusiasm was given by a strong, small nucleus of experienced members who fortunately represented all four parts of the choir. These boys were determined to give as much support as rime permitted. They had been well trained and enjoyed singing. Perhaps rheir most tangible source of motivation came after two weeks of term when several Upper School trebles dropped out of the choir, ostensibly because they felt they did not have enough time: however, popular opinion had reason to believe that they wanted no part of rhe decline and fall of the choir under its new director, J.S. Pratt, Esq., a master who had had no previous experience in choral direction. An anticipated collapse was thus prevented wirh the work of such loyal choristers as Hutchins, the Head Prefect and Head of the Choir; Macpherson, the Choir Librarian; Gale, a counter-tenor; Patriquin, an excellent unofficial assistant choir director; and Abdallah, a treble who is really a counter-tenor wirh a high range. The combined effort of these boys inspired additional confidence in many of the hesitant members, some of them new to the choir. Extra work accomplished by the boys in their own rime helped considerably to bolster a necessary trueness in parr singing. Certainly the boys felt the work was well worth the effort, for the Thanksgiving Service was not far below the standard of last year's service.

The boys prepared enthusiastically for the Carol Service, held !ate in rhe afternoon on December 16th. The service is now held after the Christmas Examinations. so there is necessarily mote enjoyment associated with it than in the past. The reading of the lessons was of an unusually high calibre. The readers were Hutchins, Macpherson, Wanklyn, Abrahamson, and McNaughton I. The choir sang such carols as "The Holly and the Ivy". "Break Forth O Beauteous Heavenly Light", and "Hark What Mean Those Holy Voices", the last being an evangelical carol which was popular at B.C.S. a few years ago, but which has not been sung recently, The school joined inrobustly in the singing of the Hymns. This fact is now on premanent record, because a tape of the service was made with the Ampex '601' Recorder which was donated to the choir by the kindness and extreme generosity of Arnold Sharp. Esq. The Tape was played over C.K.T.S. Radio on January 7th. due to the interest and organization of Archdeacon T.J. Matthews, Rector of St. George's Church, Lennoxville. (Any Old Boy visiting the school at an odd time is mosr welcome to hear taper upon request.)

An interesting development occurred shortly after the return to school for the Lent Term. Entirely independent of guidance from the choir director, Hutchins, Macpherson, and Gale arrived at choir practice with no fewer rhan twelve recruits from the Third and Fourth Forms. The choir director was apparently wrong when he thought he had recruited all the potential amongst the School House boys, and was moved considerably by the sustained interest, and, indeed, abillry of these boys to act as talent scouts. Let us hope that this interest in singing will continue when these boys leave the school. They could accomplish a great deal with the talent rhey have and use. The St. Matthias' Church Choir, Westmount, is the direct result of sustained interest on the part of B.C.S. Old Boys.

The rewards of singing in a choir ate hard to define; it may be said that the most satisfactory reward is the knowledge that day to day practice and concentration produces a standard of worship which, at least in its outward aspects. is something less rhan insulting to its object. It is naturally hard to teach boys that a service well sung is a reward in itself: thus, for some boys, the 'choir trip' is the carrot. We ate fortunate in having received an invitation to sing at Trinity Cathedral, Quebec City. The boys are looking forward to singing there on Sunday, April 28th.

CHOIR NOTES. 1962-'63 (Continued)

The choir is privileged to have once again as its organist Mrs. Bertha Bell, L. Mus. She is the most conscientious organist imaginable, and has yet this year to miss a service or choir practice (three of the latrer per week). The only time she could not play the organ was for an Evensong in October, and she could scarcely be chided; a power failute had rendered the organ inoperative! Her spirit, on that occasion, was not broken; she got some of the boys to roll the piano into place in the wing of the vestry. The service was perhaps more enjoyable for its peculiarities, another one of them being an unaccompanied anthem.

We are very pleased ro welcome the Rev. Howard Greer, M. A., to rhe school. His duties as Chaplain are backed by experience as Chaplain to King's College School, Windsor; as lecturer in English ar Dalhousie University, Halifax; and as parish priest in rwo Nova Scoria parishes. In addition to his responsibilities as Chaplain, he teaches Latin. He is a grear asset to the school. we hope he will continue at B.C.S. for many years.

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EXTRA - EXTRA CURRICULAR

Several Old Boys have expressed an interest in the present-day draggers at B.C.S. Officially, smokers have the use of the Smoking Chalet on Second floot, but those don't count, one suspects. Attempts and there have been valiant ones to make smoking a comfortable recreation at B.C.S. have been ill-fated. The last major effort, represented by several thousand dollars worth of chalet and furnishings, went briskly up in smoke which only accidentally came from a cigarette, and current permissive smokers huddle in a relatively fireproof armosphere where much loud talk substitutes for upholsrered chairs, slick magazines and other fire hazards, found by cosrly experience ra be prohibitive.

Nor these emancipated fogies, bur the illegal adventurers of the walk-in cupboard. the "Me smoking, sir)" boys, the dorm-window fireflies - they hold the Old Boys' memory and imaginarion, and they're still about! Scattered butts along the edge of the runnel steps are undoubtedly not of your day, but they look the same. Bandsmen occupy strategic points along the traffic lines, and there is much bog-rrorring midway between classtime bells, while occasionally, a sheepish victim stands, lighted cigarette in hand, outside the Head's door. Perhaps this is a new wrinkle..

This true story is, on the other hand, probably old enough ro be unknown to a good many. The scene was Sherbrooke Street, on a fine April morning, years ago. Footingit eastward to McGill lectures was an Old Boy, who met another Old Boy, going west, in a convertible.

"What a dayl" cried the driver, pulling to a curbside stop.

"Yes. " replied the pedestrian, a far-away look in his eyes, "I'd really love to be back at School today."

"So would I. " said the motorist, "and what would you do if you were there this morning?

"I'd get me a dirty novel, a pack of burrs, and spend the day in the boiler-rooml"

FIXTURES, TRINITY TERM - 1963

Sunday, April 28. Choir at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Quebec. 11:00 A. M. Saturday. May 11. Ashbury First XI and under-16 Cricket at B.C.S. 10:00 A.M.

Sunday, May 12. Friday, May 17. Confirmation Service in the St. Martin's Chapel.

Annual Inspection No.2 Cadet Corps by Rear Admiral K.L. Dyer, D.S.C.. C. D. 2:30 P.M.

Saturday, May 18. Saturday, May 25. E. T. Interscholastic Track Meet, Sherbrooke. 8:00 A.M. B.C.S. First XI and under-16 Cricket at Ashbury. 10:00 A.M.

Sunday. May 26. B.C.S. Cadet Corps parades with Black Watch to the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul,

Sherbrooke St., Montreal. 2:30 P.M.

Closing Chapel Service. 8:15 P.M. Friday. June 7.

Saturday, June 8.

Annual Sports Day Programme. 10:30 A.M. Annual Old Boys Golf Match - Mount Bruno Golf Club. Monday, June 10.

Monday, June 17. McGill Marric Exams begin.

SPECIAL NOTICE FOR OLD BOYS

The administration office of the Old Boys' Association is now transferred to the school. All correspondence, e.g., changes of address, should be directed to:- B.C.S. Old Boys' Association, Lennoxville. Que.